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IN THE UNITED STATES TENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Mitsumasa MATSUSHITA, et al

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FOR: METHOD OF RECLAIMING CROSSLINKED RUBBER

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

It is hereby requested that a one-month extension of time for responding to the Notification of Missing Requirements of Application dated February 4, 2002, be granted to May 4, 2002.

The required fee of \$110.00 is enclosed herewith by check. If any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the required Government fee, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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